

Introduced by Senator Lowenthal

December 4, 2006

An act relating to transportation, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 9, as introduced, Lowenthal. Trade corridor improvement: transportation project selection.

Existing law, the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, authorizes the issuance of \$19,925,000,000 of state general obligation bonds for specified purposes, including high-priority transportation corridor improvements.

The act requires the sum of \$2,000,000,000 to be transferred to the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund, which is established under the act. The money in the fund is required to be available, upon appropriation in the annual Budget Act by the Legislature, and subject to such conditions and criteria as the Legislature may provide by statute, for allocation by the California Transportation Commission for infrastructure improvements along federally designated "Trade Corridors of National Significance" in this state or along other corridors within this state that have a high volume of freight movement, as determined by the commission.

This bill would set forth the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that establishes a process for the selection of transportation projects to be funded from the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund.

The bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
2 legislation that establishes a process for the selection of
3 transportation projects to be funded from the Trade Corridors
4 Improvement Fund established under paragraph (1) of subdivision
5 (c) of Section 8879.23 of the Government Code.
6 SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
7 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within
8 the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into
9 immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:
10 In order to provide at the earliest possible time a process for the
11 selection of trade corridor improvement transportation projects to
12 be funded under the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air
13 Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, it is necessary that
14 this act take effect immediately.

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